

2008 Upcoming Montana Floodplain Training And Certified Floodplain Managers Exam Testing

June 3, Floodplain 101 Miles City, 9:00AM -3:30PM

June 4, CFM Exam Testing, Miles City, 9:00 AM to Noon

June 5, Floodplain 101, Glendive, 9:00AM – 3:30PM

July (date to be announced) Helena, Community Rating System (CRS) Training

Montana Floodplain 101

The training sessions are free. The training is a necessary help to local floodplain administrators (FPA's). New and veteran FPA's have found the class useful to perform their floodplain management duties, including: understanding rules, floodplain map reading, and permit processing. Also, elected officials and others concerned about a community's welfare are welcomed and encouraged to attend. The sessions are free but pre-registration is required by May 20th. Call or Email Bri Shipman, 444-0862/bshipman@mt.gov to register or for more information. A simple lunch is provided.

Testing for Certified Floodplain Managers (CFM).

The national organization of floodplain professionals, the Association of State Flood Plain Managers, offers certification in floodplain management. Testing to receive certification will be offered in Miles City, June 4th, from 9:00 AM to Noon. This is the allotted time; some applicants complete this in less than three hours. For more information, including fees, visit: <http://www.floods.org/Certification/certprog.asp>
APPLICATIONS DUE TO ASFPM BY MAY 21ST!!!

Community Rating System Training

Day-long training session with information on how to apply to the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements. As a result, flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from the community actions meeting the three goals of the CRS: reduce flood losses; facilitate accurate insurance rating; and promote the awareness of flood insurance. For CRS participating communities, flood insurance premium rates are discounted in increments of 5%. The CRS classes for local communities are based on 18 creditable activities. Call or Email Bri Shipman, 444-0862/bshipman@mt.gov for more information